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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Seiichi NAGATA ) Confirmation No.: 4585  
Application No.: 10/551,195 ) Group Art Unit: 1794  
Filed: April 27, 2007 ) Examiner: Jonathan C. Langman  
For: SILICON SUBSTRATE AND )  
FORMING METHOD THEREOF )  
(As amended) )

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
**Customer Winder, Mail Stop Amendment**  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

In an Office Action dated November 13, 2008, the period for response to which runs through December 15, 2008 (December 13, 2008 being a Saturday), the Examiner required election under 35 U.S.C. §§ 121 and 372 between the claims of Group I (claims 1-5) allegedly drawn to “an article,” and Group II (claims 6-12) allegedly drawn to “a method.”

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-5) for examination.

Applicant respectfully requests formal examination of this application.

Applicant respectfully submits that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, **except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18**, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any such fees during the entire pendency of this application, including fees

due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and including any required extension of time fees, *or* credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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